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CHAPARRAL WILDFIRE FACT SHEET

Fire Name: Chaparral

Time/Date Started: 1630 hrs. on June 5, 2006

Location: 13 miles Southeast of Cuba, New Mexico in the vicinity of Smokey Bear Hill about 1 mile west of Chaparral Girl Scout Camp, located in the western portion of the Santa Fe National

Forest; Township 19N; Range 1E; Section 15

Cause: Unknown

Fuels: Ponderosa Pine, Oak

Size: 18 acres

Resources on scene or en route: 5 engines; 1 Type 2 Initial Attack handcrew from Bandelier

National Monument; 1 Type 1 Hotshot crew.

Threats: Wildland Urban Interface & the Chaparral Girl Scout Camp

Evacuations: A precautionary evacuation was completed at the Chaparral Girl Scout Camp. There were approximately 50 people that were bused to Eichwald Center in Cuba. All the campers who were attending a Forestry Camp are accounted for. The Chaparral Girl Scout Camp will be open for camp this coming week-end.

Parents were contacted by camp staff before traveling to Cuba. Parents can call the Sandoval County Dispatch Center @ 505-891-7226 to check on their kids.

Summary: This evening crews will strengthen the line and work on extinguishing hot spots in preparation for tomorrows gusty, erratic winds that might be associated with possible thunder storms.

